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ANNCR:

"THIS WEEK!"

FROM THE VOICE OF AMERICA, THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK GONE BY... A LOOK AT SOME OF THE EVENTS, A CROSS-SECTION OF THE IDEAS AND THE VOICES OF SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO MADE NEWS DURING THE PAST SEVEN DAYS. YOUR NARRATOR IS _____.

NARR:

THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL LEADING TO THIS YEAR'S PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION HAS BEEN A ROCKY ROAD SO FAR -- AND THIS WEEK INDICATED THAT CAMPAIGNERS WILL FIND IT TOUGH GOING AWHILE LONGER.

THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY -- FIRST OF SOME THIRTY PRE-ELECTION CAMPAIGNS -- HAD BROUGHT REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC CONTENDERS TO THE VILLAGES AND TOWNS OF THAT SMALL NEW ENGLAND STATE. CANDIDATES AND THEIR SUPPORTERS TRAMPED THROUGH THE WINTER SNOWS, RINGING DOORBELLS AND USING THE TELEPHONE TO WIN VOTER SUPPORT -- HOPING FOR A GOOD SHOWING THAT WOULD CATAPULT THEIR CAMPAIGN AHEAD OF ALL OTHERS IN THE RACE FOR THE TWO PARTIES' NOMINATIONS -- AND FOR THE WHITE HOSUE.

THEN THIS WEEK, THE VOTERS TALKED BACK -- GOING TO THE POLLS TO CHOOSE BETWEEN PRESIDENT FORD AND CHALLENGER RONALD REAGAN ON THE REPUBLICAN SIDE -- AND TO PICK ONE OF FIVE CANDIDATES AMONG THE DEMOCRATS.

FOR THE REPUBLICANS, PRESIDENT FORD EMERGED VICTORIOUS -- BUT BY THE SMALLEST MARGIN IN THE HISTORY OF THE STATE'S

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY. MISTER FORD'S OPPONENT, CONSERVATIVE EX-CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR REAGAN, WAS APPARENTLY OVERJOYED BY HIS STRONG SHOWING -- AND TOLD CAMPAIGN WORKERS HE INTENDED TO MAKE A LONG, HARD RACE FOR THE WHITE HOUSE.

TAPE: CUT ONE -- REAGAN :30

"GOD BLESS YOU ALL, YOU'VE BEEN SUCH A HELP. ALL I CAN TELL YOU IS THAT I THINK WE KNOW WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO AND WHERE WE'RE GOING TO GO ON THE BASIS OF WHAT STARTED HERE TONIGHT -- TODAY -- IN NEW HAMPSHIRE. AND, TOMORROW MORNING WE'LL BE IN ILLINOIS, AND TOMORROW WE'LL BE IN FLORIDA... AND WE'LL BE IN FLORIDA FOR THE NEXT FEW DAYS, AND THEN WE'LL GO HOME AND CHANGE LAUNDRY AND WE'LL BE BACK ON THE ROAD FOR ILLINOIS AND FLORIDA AND NORTH CAROLINA AND THE REST OF THE PRIMARY STATES." (APPLAUSE)

NARR:

IF CANDIDATE REAGAN APPEARED PLEASED, PRESIDENT FORD WAS CLEARLY DELIGHTED WITH HIS FIRST PLACE FINISH. DROPPING HIS EARLIER RELUCTANCE TO PREDICT ALL-OUT VICTORY, MISTER FORD TOLD REPORTERS HE WOULD WIN THE NOMINATION AT THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION IN KANSAS CITY NEXT JULY -- AND GO ON TO WIN A FOUR-YEAR TERM AS PRESIDENT IN NOVEMBER.

TAPE: CUT TWO -- FORD :29

"SOME OF THOSE WHO DIDN'T DO SO WELL YESTERDAY SEEMED TO BE SATISFIED WITH SECOND. I NEVER KNEW OF ANY POLITICAL CAMPAIGN WHERE RUNNING SECOND WAS VERY BENEFICIAL. BUT, WE'RE VERY HAPPY AND WE EXPECT TO KEEP GOING AND WITH THE MOMENTUM WE HAVE I'M CONFIDENT WE'LL END UP IN KANSAS CITY WITH A GOOD VICTORY AND WE'LL END UP ON NOVEMBER SECOND WITH A BIGGER ONE."

NARR:

ON THE DEMOCRATIC SIDE -- WHERE ONLY HALF OF THE DECLARED CANDIDATES WERE ON THE BALLOT -- FORMER GEORGIA GOVERNOR JIMMY CARTER TOOK THIRTY PERCENT OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE VOTES. OBVIOUSLY ENJOYING HIS VICTORY OVER PARTY RIVALS, MISTER CARTER TOLD HOMETOWN SUPPORTERS THAT

IF CHOSEN AS THE PARTY NOMINEE, HE WOULD HAVE NO DIFFICULTY WINNING THE PRESIDENCY.

TAPE: CUT THREE -- CARTER :15

"THERE ARE A LOT OF REASONS WHY I THINK I COULD HANDLE EITHER ONE OF THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES. I DON'T HAVE ANY CHOICE BETWEEN THEM. BUT I THINK REAGAN WOULD BE THE EASIER OF THE TWO TO BEAT."

NARR:

(OPT) THE AIR OF CONFIDENCE AMONG THE FRONT-RUNNERS -- AND AMONG THE SECOND AND THIRD PLACE FINISHERS AS WELL -- WAS NOTED BY SENATOR HUBERT HUMPHREY, WHO WON SIX PERCENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY VOTES IN NEW HAMPSHIRE, EVEN THOUGH HE IS NOT A DECLARED CANDIDATE.

TAPE: CUT FOUR -- HUMPHREY :35

"EVERYBODY THOUGHT HE WON. THE PRESIDENT DID BETTER THAN HE HAD EXPECTED, AND REAGAN DID BETTER THAN HE HAD EXPECTED, AND CARTER DID BETTER THAN HE HAD EXPECTED, BAYH DID BETTER THAN HE HAD EXPECTED, AND HARRIS DID BETTER AND SHRIVER DID BETTER, AND MO UDALL WAS VERY HAPPY THAT HE DID BETTER THAN HE HAD EXPECTED, AND I DIDN'T EXPECT ANYTHING, I JUST THOUGHT I DID EXTRAORDINARILY WELL, BECAUSE I DIDN'T EVEN TRY -- I MEAN, IT'S JUST MARVELOUS. WELL I JUST THINK IT WAS A NIGHT OF GREAT HAPPINESS FOR EVERYBODY. EVERYBODY THOUGHT THEY DID WELL." (END OPT)

NARR:

DESPITE THE BUILDUP TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE PRIMARY, OBSERVERS GENERALLY AGREED THAT ITS RESULTS WERE INCONCLUSIVE -- NOTING THAT CONSERVATIVE DEMOCRATS GEORGE WALLACE AND HENRY JACKSON WERE NOT ON THE BALLOT, AND THAT RONALD REAGAN HAD SHOWED ONLY THAT HE IS A STRONG CONTENDER. ONE OPINION POLLSTER ALSO NOTED THAT IN EARLIER SURVEYS NEW HAMPSHIRE DEMOCRATS HAD PUT SENATORS EDWARD KENNEDY AND HUBERT HUMPHREY AT THE TOP OF THEIR LIST OF PREFERRED PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEES -- EVEN THOUGH NEITHER MAN IS A CANDIDATE.

NARR:

AS THE VOTES WERE BEING COUNTED ON TUESDAY, A CAMPAIGN LEADER FOR MISTER FORD EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT THE RESULTS OF THE PRIMARY ELECTION MIGHT BE AFFECTED BY THIS WEEK'S VISIT TO CHINA BY FORMER PRESIDENT NIXON. THOSE FEARS LATER APPEARED TO HAVE BEEN UNFOUNDED, AS POLLSTERS FOUND FEW VOTERS WHO HAD BEEN SWAYED BY THE ISSUE.

MISTER NIXON SPENT FIVE DAYS IN THE CHINESE CAPITAL -- MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN MAO FOR MORE THAN ONE-AND-A-HALF HOURS, SEEING THE SIGHTS AND TOASTING THE FUTURE OF CHINESE-AMERICAN RELATIONS AT A SERIES OF BANQUETS. A MINOR CONTROVERSY DEVELOPED WHEN IT APPEARED THAT THE FORMER PRESIDENT HAD OPENLY CRITICIZED THE POLICY OF SOVIET-AMERICAN DETENTE -- A POLICY WHICH HE HIMSELF HAD INITIATED -- BUT BOTH MISTER NIXON AND THE FORD WHITE HOUSE DENIED THAT ANY CRITICISM HAD BEEN INTENDED.

QUESTIONED ABOUT THE FORMER PRESIDENT'S TRIP TO CHINA AND HIS TALKS WITH CHINESE LEADERS, SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER SAID THERE WAS NOTHING OFFICIAL ABOUT THE VISIT.

TAPE: CUT FIVE -- KISSINGER 1:00

"PRESIDENT NIXON IS THERE AS A PRIVATE CITIZEN, AT THE INVITATION OF THE CHINESE GOVERNMENT ON A VISIT -- THE PLANNING OF WHICH AND IN THE PREPARATION OF WHICH WE DID NOT PARTICIPATE AND HAD NO KNOWLEDGE UNTIL ONE HOUR BEFORE IT WAS ANNOUNCED. WE ARE INTERESTED, OBVIOUSLY, IN LEARNING WHAT THERE IS TO KNOW ABOUT THE VIEWS OF CHINESE LEADERS. WE CONSIDER THIS A PRIVATE VISIT, BUT INSOFAR AS IT GIVES THE CHINESE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE THEY ATTACH TO A RELATIONSHIP WITH US, WE WELCOME ANY STATEMENTS THAT THE CHINESE MAKE IN THIS CONNECTION, EVEN IF WE WOULD HAVE CHOSEN A DIFFERENT FORUM. WE OBVIOUSLY PREFER TO DEAL WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS THROUGH OFFICIAL CHANNELS."

NARR:

(OPT) MISTER NIXON'S TALKS IN PEKING CAME UNDER PREDICTABLE CRITICISM FROM EDITORIAL WRITERS AND LONGTIME POLITICAL OPPONENTS -- BUT SURPRISINGLY, HE WAS ALSO ATTACKED BY ONE OF HIS STRONGEST FORMER ALLIES, SENATOR BARRY GOLDWATER. THE CONSERVATIVE REPUBLICAN LEGISLATOR CHARGED THAT THE FORMER PRESIDENT HAD BROKEN THE LAW AGAINST DEALING WITH FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS, AND SAID THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE BETTER OFF IF MISTER NIXON STAYED IN CHINA. (END OPT)

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IN MOSCOW THIS WEEK, FIVE THOUSAND DELEGATES FROM THE SOVIET UNION AND MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED OTHER COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD GATHERED FOR THE TWENTY-FIFTH SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY CONGRESS. OPENING THE TEN-DAY MEETING, SOVIET PARTY CHIEF LEONID BREZHNEV SHOWED NO EVIDENCE OF LONG-RUMORED ILL HEALTH AS HE DELIVERED A TWO-PART ADDRESS THAT LASTED MORE THAN FIVE HOURS.

<u>TAPE: BREZHNEV -- CUT SIX -- UP BRIEFLY AND FADE UNDER NARR</u>:

NARR:

THE SOVIET LEADER -- INTERRUPTED FREQUENTLY BY APPLAUSE -- TOLD DELEGATES TO THE CONGRESS THAT MOSCOW WOULD CONTINUE ITS POLICY OF DETENTE WITH THE WEST, BUT THAT IT WOULD ALSO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AROUND THE WORLD. MISTER BREZHNEV RECEIVED HIS LONGEST AND LOUDEST OVATION WHEN HE PRAISED WHAT HE CALLED THE VICTORY OF PROGRESSIVE FORCES IN ANGOLA -- REFERRING TO THE SOVIET-BACKED POPULAR MOVEMENT. HE WAS SHARPLY CRITICAL OF CAPITALISM WHICH, HE SAID, REMAINS IN A STATE OF CRISIS -- AND HE WAS ESPECIALLY CRITICAL OF CHINA. PEKING'S POLICIES,

SAID MISTER BREZHNEV, WERE LINKED WITH THE POSITION OF THE WORLD'S MOST EXTREME REACTIONARIES, AND THAT CHINA'S EFFORTS TO PROVOKE A WORLD WAR PRESENTED A MAJOR DANGER FOR PEACE-LOVING PEOPLES.

THE SOVIET PARTY CHIEF'S COMMENTS DREW A SHARP REBUTTAL FROM PEKING AT WEEK'S END -- WITH THE NEW CHINA NEWS AGENCY SAYS THE SOVIET COMMUNIST PARTY HAD DEGENERATED INTO A BOURGEOIS, FASCIST GROUP RULED BY A HANDFUL OF REVISIONISTS AND CAPITALIST ROADERS.

CHINA AND ALBANIA ARE THE ONLY RULING COMMUNIST PARTIES NOT REPRESENTED AT THE PARTY CONGRESS IN MOSCOW, AND THROUGHOUT THE WEEK SPEAKERS ATTACKED PEKING FOR ITS SO-CALLED REVISIONISM. ALSO ABSENT FROM THE MOSCOW GATHERING WAS FRENCH PARTY CHIEF GEORGES MARCHAIS -- WHO STAYED IN PARIS, ACCORDING TO A COLLEAGUE, BECAUSE OF DIFFERENCES WITH THE KREMLIN OVER ITS TREATMENT OF SOVIET DISSIDENTS.

THE CONTINUING DEMAND BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS FOR A RELAXATION OF SOVIET EMIGRATION RESTRICTIONS IN EXCHANGE FOR PREFERENTIAL TRADE TERMS WAS CITED IN MOSCOW AS A DETERRENT TO FURTHER IMPROVEMENT IN SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS. SECRETARY BREZHNEV REJECTED SUCH DEMANDS IN HIS OPENING ADDRESS AS AN INTOLERABLE INTERFERENCE IN SOVIET INTERNAL AFFAIRS.

BUT OVERALL, COMMENTS AMONG SOVIET SOURCES AT THE CONGRESS INDICATED THAT DESPITE THE SLOW PACE, THE PROCESS OF DETENTE WOULD CONTINUE. THIS SENTIMENT WAS ECHOED IN WASHINGTON BY PRESIDENT FORD, WHO TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE AT MID-WEEK THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD PURSUE DETENTE -- BUT WOULD MEET THE CHALLENGE OF AGGRESSION BY ANY NATION.

MISTER FORD ALSO SAID THIS WEEK THAT DESPITE SIGNIFICANT AREAS OF DISAGREEMENT WITH MOSCOW CONCERNING THE LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC WEAPONS, NEGOTIATIONS TOWARD ANOTHER SALT AGREEMENT WOULD CONTINUE. IF SUCH AN AGREEMENT IS NOT REACHED, HE SAID, HE WOULD HAVE TO ASK CONGRESS FOR MORE MONEY TO SUPPORT FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGIC ARMS PROGRAMS.

ONE SUCH PROGRAM -- THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CRUISE MISSILE -- WAS ACTIVELY PURSUED DURING THE WEEK, WITH THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE SCHEDULING ITS FIRST POWERED TEST OF THE HIGH-ACCURACY WEAPON. BUT TECHNICAL PROBLEMS CAUSED A LAST-MINUTE POSTPONEMENT OF THE TEST--AND CONGRESSIONAL CRITICS OF THE ARMS RACE URGED THAT THE MISSILE BE SET ASIDE ALTOGETHER.

(OPT) SPEAKING FOR A BIPARTISAN GROUP OF SPONSORS, SENATOR EDWARD KENNEDY SPOKE WITH REPORTERS ABOUT A NON-BINDING SENSE-OF-THE-SENATE RESOLUTION BEING INTRODUCED -- TO RECOMMEND A HALT TO FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE CRUISE MISSILE.

TAPE: CUT SEVEN -- KENNEDY 1:16

"THE RESOLUTION WHICH SENATORS HUMPHREY AND JAVITS AND I ARE INTRODUCING INTO THE UNITED STATES SENATE WE BELIEVE OFFERS THE BEST OPPORTUNITY AND THE BEST HOPE FOR OUR NATION TO MOVE BACK FROM A STEP TOWARD NUCLEAR MADNESS, WITH THE ESCALATION OF THE ARMS RACE THAT WE WILL SEE IF WE ARE CONTINUING AS A NATION TO TEST THE CRUISE MISSILE, AND IF WE SEE A CORRESPONDING ACTION BY THE SOVIET UNION FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND DEPLOYMENT. WE HAVE SEEN SUBSTANTIAL PROGRESS IN RECENT TIME TOWARD MOVING US BACK FROM NUCLEAR HOLOCAUST AND NUCLEAR WAR. AND IT IS OUR VERY SINCERE HOPE THAT WORKING WITH OUR COLLEAGUES IN THE CONGRESS AND WORKING WITH THE ADMINISTRATION THAT THIS RESOLUTION WILL BE A CONSTRUCTIVE AND HOPEFUL SIGN FOR PEACE AND FOR REDUCING THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONTINUING ESCALATION OF OUR ARMS RACE." (END OPT)

HARR:

CONGRESSIONAL OPPOSITION TO THE CRUISE MISSILE BROUGHT A QUICK RESPONSE FROM SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER --

WHO SAID HE STRONGLY DISAGREED. ANY HALT TO MISSILE PROGRAMS, HE SAID, SHOULD COME ONLY AS A RESULT OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION -- AND NOT THROUGH UNILATERAL EFFORTS BY THE UNITED STATES.

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE THIS WEEK ENDED HIS NINE-DAY SWING THROUGH LATIN AMERICA -- SAYING AFTERWARD THAT HIS SIX-NATION TOUR HAD GIVEN HIM A DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF THE ATTITUDES AND PROBLEMS OF OTHER NATIONS IN THE HEMISPHERE. MEETING WITH CENTRAL AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS IN COSTA RICA, SECRETARY KISSINGER SAID HE HOPED TO MAKE TRADE EXPANSION THE PRINCIPLE GOAL OF THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM.

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(OPT) ARGENTINA'S MARIA ESTELA PERON THIS WEEK MANAGED TO MAINTAIN HER HOLD ON THE PRESIDENCY -- BUT HER GRIP SEEMED TO BE WEAKENING. A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES IN BUENOS AIRES DEFEATED A MOTION WEDNESDAY CALLING FOR IMPEACHMENT PROCEEDINGS AGAINST HER -- BUT BY WEEK'S END, EFFORTS TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ENTIRE CONGRESS WERE UNDERWAY. OPPOSITION LEADERS CONTINUED TO ACCUSE MISSUS PERON OF BEING UNFIT TO GOVERN, AND OF PRESIDING OVER A BREAKDOWN OF CONSTITUTIONAL ORDER. THE ARGENTINE GOVERNMENT DENIED THE CHARGES -- AND MISSUS PERON LEFT BUENOS AIRES FOR A BRIEF VACATION AT A SEASIDE RESORT. (END OPT)

IN PORTUGAL, MONTHS OF POLITICAL WRESTLING BETWEEN MILITARY AND CIVILIAN LEADERS ENDED WITH THE SIGNING THIS WEEK OF A CONSTITUTIONAL PACT CALLING FOR THE ELECTION OF A LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY IN APRIL AND THE ELECTION OF A PRESIDENT

IN JUNE. THE PACT OUTLINES A CONSULTATIVE ROLE FOR THE RULING ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT -- BUT GIVES VETO POWER ON CONSTITUTIONAL AND DEFENSE MATTERS TO THE PRESENT RULING BODY, THE MILITARY REVOLUTIONARY COUNCIL. PRESIDENT FRANCISCO DA COSTA GOMES -- IN SIGNING THE AGREEMENT -- SAID PORTUGAL'S MILITARY WOULD CONTINUE TO TAKE AN ACTIVE PART IN NATIONAL AFFAIRS, DURING THE PERIOD OF TRANSITION.

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PORTUGUESE REFUGEES WERE AIRLIFTED THIS WEEK FROM SOUTHERN ANGOLA -- WHERE THEY HAD BEEN CAMPED IN AREAS OCCUPIED BY SOUTH AFRICAN TROOPS. AN ESTIMATED SEVEN THOUSAND PERSONS WERE REPORTED TO BE PREPARING TO LEAVE THE AREA -- AND FLY TO LISBON.

ANGOLA'S SOVIET-BACKED POPULAR MOVEMENT, MEANWHILE, CONTINUED TO WIN DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION -- GAINING A SEAT AMONG MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY, AND RECEIVING AN OFFER OF ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL AID FROM THE EUROPEAN COMMON MARKET. THE UNITED STATES SAID IT WOULD ALSO GIVE PROMPT AND GENEROUS CONSIDERATION TO REQUEST FOR HUMANITARIAN AID TO ANGOLA. BUT PRESIDENT FORD JOINED COMMON MARKET FOREIGN MINISTERS IN CONDEMNING OUTSIDE INTERFERENCE IN THE NEWLY INDEPENDENT AFRICAN NATION.

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MARR:

IN THE MIDDLE EAST THIS WEEK, EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT ANWAR SADAT -- ON A TOUR OF ARAB COUNTRIES IN SEARCH OF ECONOMIC AID AND SUPPORT FOR CAIRO'S POLICIES -- WARNED THAT FAILURE AT ANY FUTURE GENEVA MIDDLE EAST PEACE CONFERENCE COULD RESULT IN A NEW WAR IN THE REGION. UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY

GENERAL KURT WALDHEIM TOLD A NEWS CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK THAT STAGNATION IN MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS WOULD BE VERY DANGEROUS -- AND HE URGED A SWIFT RETURN TO GENEVA, OR ANY OTHER ACCEPTABLE FORUM. AS THE WEEK ENDED, AMERICAN TREASURY SECRETARY WILLIAM SIMON BEGAN A TOUR OF THE MIDDLE EAST, AND VISITS WITH LEADERS IN EGYPT, SAUDI ARABIA AND THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES.

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AND FINALLY, THE UNITED STATES MOVED TO CHANGE ITS AMBASSADORS AT THE UNITED NATIONS -- WITH DANIEL PATRICK MOYNIHAN RETURNING TO HARVARD AND FORMER PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR WILLIAM SCRANTON NAMED TO TAKE HIS PLACE. MAKING THE ANNOUNCEMENT, PRESIDENT FORD NOTED THAT MISTER SCRANTON -- KNOWN AS A QUIET AND RESERVED MAN -- IS NOT POSSESSED OF THE FLAIR AND FLAMBOYANCE THAT MARKED THE CONTROVERSIAL TENURE OF MISTER MOYNIHAN. BUT, SAID PRESIDENT FORD, UNITED STATES POLICIES WOULD REMAIN UNCHANGED -- AND THE NEW AMBASSADOR WOULD CONTINUE THE POLICY OF CALLING A SPADE A SPADE (BEING CANDID).

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ANNCR:

(OPT) AND THOSE ARE SOME OF THE TOP STORIES THAT MADE HEADLINES THIS WEEK. YOUR NARRATOR WAS _____. JOIN US AGAIN NEXT _____, WHEN THE VOICE OF AMERICA TAKES A LOOK AT THE NEXT SEVEN DAYS ON "THIS WEEK." (END OPT)

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